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SUBJECT: HIGH-LEVEL CONFERENCE ON YOUTH UNEMPLOYMENT

REF: A)STATE 170629 B)C(77)154

1. MISSION RECIEVED TODAY NOTE BY SECRETARY GENERAL OUTLINING PURPOSES FOR THE CONFERENCE, DATES AND LEVEL OF REPRESENTATION. (MISSION AIRMAILED COPIES OF PROPOSAL SEPT. 6 TO STATE AND LABOR.) THE SECGEN PROPOSES THAT CONFERENCE DOCUMENTATION BE DIVIDED INTO THE FOLLOWING THREE PARTS:

A) DIAGNOSIS OF PROSPECTS FOR YOUTH EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT. THIS PART WOULD INCLUDE AN ANALYSIS OF PAST TRENDS TO SEPARATE OUT STRUCTURAL AND CYCLICAL ELEMENTS OF PROBLEM AS WELL AS FUTURE TRENDS IN TERMS OF DEMOGRAPHY, EDUCATIONAL OUTPUT AND LABOR SUPPLY/ DEMAND.

B) EVALUATION OF CURRENT MEASURES BY OECD COUNTRIES TO DEAL WITH YOUTH UNEMPLOYMENT.

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C) POLICY OPTIONS

2. THE SECGEN FURTHER PROPOSES THAT PREPARATORY DISCUSSIONS BE HELD AT THE LEVEL OF HEADS OF DELEGATIONS. SPECIFIC ARRANGEMENTS, HOWEVER, WILL BE SETTLED AT THE SEPT. 15 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND SEPT. 21 COUNCIL MEETING. AS FOR CONFERENCE

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ITSELF, SECGEN PROPOSES THAT DELEGATIONS "INCLUDE TOP OFFICIALS."

3. THE SECRETARY GENERAL WILL INVITE THE COUNCIL TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING DRAFT ENTRY IN ITS MINUTES:

A) NOTED THE SECRETARY-GENERAL'S PROPOSAL (C (77)L547)

B) AGREED THAT AN AD HOC INTERGOVERNMENTAL CONFERENCE ON YOUTH UNEMPLOYMENT WILL TAKE PLACE AT OECD HEADQUARTERS ON 15TH-16TH DECEMBER, 1977;

C) STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF INCLUDING TOP OFFICIALS WITH APPROPRIATE POLICY RESPONSIBILITIES IN NATIONAL DELEGATIONS TO THE CONFERENCE;

D) INVITED THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO PURSUE THE NECESSARY PREPARATIONS FOR THE HOLDING OF THE CONFERENCE, INCLUDING APPROPRIATE CONSULTATIONS WITH BIAC AND TUAC.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: MISSION REQUESTS INSTRUCTIONS BY COB SEPT. 12 RE THE FOLLOWING:

A) WHETHER PREPARATORY DISCUSSIONS SHOULD BE ATTENDED BY WASHINGTON EXPERTS;
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B) SHALL WE CONTINUE TO URGE THAT THE YOUTH UN-EMPLOYMENT CONFERENCE BE ATTENDED BY LABOR MINISTERS AS INSTRUCTED IN REF A?

C) WOULD SECRETARY MARSHALL BE INTERESTED IN CHAIRING THE MEETING? IF SO, SHOULD AMBASSADOR MAKE NOMINA-TION AT FORTHCOMING COUNCIL MEETING? (IN MISSION'S VIEW, SECRETARY MARSHALL'S ACCEPTING THE CHAIR WOULD FURTHER ENHANCE PROSPECTS THAT OTHER COUNTRIES WOULD BE REPRESENTED BY THEIR LABOR MINISTERS.)

D) PROPOSED DATES, DECEMBER 15, 16, ACCEPTABLE?
(BIAC AND TUAC CONSULTATIONS WILL PROBABLY TAKE PLACE DECEMBER 14.) SALZMAN

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